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SUBJECT: FINNISH FINANCE MINISTER VISITS NORTH KOREA

1. FINLAND'S FINANCE MINISTER JOHANNES VIROLAINEN LEFT FOR A ONE WEEK TRIP TO NORTH KOREA ON AUGUST 26. VIROLAINEN IS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTER PARTY LEADER OF FINLAND'S INTERPARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) COMMITTEE. HE WILL MEET WITH NORTH KOREAN POLITICAL LEADERS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NORTH KOREAN IPU GROUP AND TRAVEL AROUND THE COUNTRY. VIROLAINEN IS ACCOMPANIED BY HIS POLITICAL SECRETARY, JORMA LESKELA. THEY WILL RETURN TO HELSINKI SEPTEMBER 5.

2. VIROLAINEN'S TRIP WAS ANNOUNCED BEFORE FINLAND ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SOUTH KOREA (HELSINKI 2298). IT IS UNLIKELY TO HAVE ANY PARTICULAR COMMERCIAL OR POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE IN THE DOMESTIC CONTEXT VIROLAINEN MAY EARN A FEW POINTS WITH THE POLITICAL LEFT.
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